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	<i>Filing Date</i>	March 21, 2001
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	<i>Group Art Unit</i>	1638
	<i>Examiner Name</i>	Cynthia E. Collins
	<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	2312-109.A
<i>Title of the Invention:</i> OVEREXPRESSION OF ABI5 IN PLANTS TO PREVENT PRECOCIOUS SEED GERMINATION AND TO CONFER RESISTANCE TO DROUGHT AND HIGH SALT		

AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action mailed 17 June 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Material added has been indicated by underlining (underlining) and material deleted has been indicated by strikethrough (~~strikethrough~~).

Remarks begin on page ** of this paper.